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EXAMINING GROUP 2173**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of
IRENE MAUROMMATI ET AL.

Atty. Docket
PHN 16,576

Serial No. 09/177,960

Group Art Unit 2173

Filed: OCTOBER 23, 1998

Examiner LUU, S.D.

Title: INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

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